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## USDA Forest Service Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

### Opportunity to Object to the Ruby Mountains Oil and Gas Leasing Availability Analysis

The Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA), draft Decision Notice (DN) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Ruby Mountains Oil and Gas Leasing Availability Analysis. The responsible official for this project is William Dunkelberger, Forest Supervisor. Dunkelberger proposes to select the No Leasing Alternative, as presented in the EA and the Draft DN. The National Forest system lands within the analysis area, located on the Mountain City, Ruby Mountains, and Jarbidge Ranger District totaling about 52,333 acres would not be available for oil and gas leasing.

The EA and draft DN/FONSI are available on-line at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52443>. These documents are also available for review at the Mountain City, Ruby Mountains, and Jarbidge Ranger District Office, 660 South 12th Street, Suite 108, Elko, NV 89801. Additional information regarding this project can be obtained from: Josh Nicholes, District Ranger, 775-778-6109, [joshua.nicholes@usda.gov](mailto:joshua.nicholes@usda.gov). This project is not authorized under the Healthy Forests Restoration Act and is subject to the Pre-decisional Administrative Review Objection Process under 36CFR218 Subparts (A) and (B).

#### How to Object and Timeframe

The opportunity to object ends 45 days following the date of publication of this legal notice in the Elko Daily Free Press (newspaper of record). The publication date of the legal notice in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection, and that those wishing to object should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by another other source. Objections will be accepted only from those who have previously submitted specific written comments regarding the proposed project during scoping or other designated opportunity for public comment. Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted timely, specific written comments regarding the proposed project unless based on new information arising after designated comment opportunities §218.8(c). The objection must contain the minimum content requirements specified in §218.8(d) and incorporation of documents by reference is permitted only as provided in §218.8(b). It is the objector's responsibility to ensure timely filing of a written objection with the reviewing officer. All objections are available for public inspection during and after the objection process.

Written objections, including any attachments, must be addressed to: Reviewing Officer, Intermountain Region USFS, 324 25th Street, Ogden, Utah 84401; or fax to 801-625-5277. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered objections are: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic objections must be submitted in a format such as an email message, pdf, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), and Word (.doc or .docx) to [objections-intermtn-regional-officers@fed.us](mailto:objections-intermtn-regional-officers@fed.us). It is the responsibility of objectors to ensure their objection is received in a timely manner (§ 218.9). Please state "Ruby Oil and Gas" in the subject line when providing electronic objections, or on the envelope when replying by mail.

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